

Amendments to the claims are as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A keyboard switch comprising a key top, a base plate installed on at the side facing the key top, an insulation film sheet mounted thereon, an elastic member for applying elasticity to the key top at a predetermined height from the base plate, a plurality of link members for supporting the key top to be freely lifted to or lowered to/from the base plate, and a contact point portion opened or closed by the lifting or lowering operation of the key top,

wherein each of the plurality of link members has a first one end portion and a second the other end portion facing each other, the plurality of link members being installed so as not to cross each other with the first their one end portions slidably supported by slide supporting portions formed on the key top and the second their other end portions rotatably supported by rotating supporting portions formed on the base plate.

2. (Currently Amended) The keyboard switch according to Claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of link members has a first one side portion and a second the other side portion in orthogonal direction to the first one end portion and the second the other end portion so that the first one side portion and the second the other side portion face each other, first shaft portions protrude to the outside from the first one side portion and the second the other side portion of the first one end portion, second shaft portions protrude in the same directions as the first shaft portions from the first one side portion and the second the other side portion of the second the other end portion, the first shaft portions are slidably supported by the slide supporting portions of the key top, and the second shaft portions are rotatably supported by the rotating supporting portions of the base plate.

3. (Currently Amended) The keyboard switch according to Claim 2, wherein the plurality of link members comprises first, second and third link members, the first and second link members are installed to face each other

with the elastic member between the first and second link members them, and the third link member is positioned outside the first and second shaft portions with the first and second shaft portions installed in orthogonal direction to the protrusion directions of the first and second shaft portions of the first and second link members.

4. (Currently Amended) The keyboard switch according to Claim 2, wherein the elastic member applies elasticity to at the center portion of the key top, and the first shaft portions of the link members supported by the slide supporting portions of the key top are aligned more closely to the elastic member than the second shaft portions thereof.

5. (Original) The keyboard switch according to Claim 2, wherein three sets of slide supporting portions are formed to face each other, the first and second slide supporting portions for supporting the first shaft portions of the first and second link members are adjacent to first supporting walls formed on the key top, and when the key top reaches a predetermined lifting position, the movement of the first shaft portions of the first and second link members is restricted in the first and second slide supporting portions to prevent the key top from being lifted over the predetermined lifting position.

6. (Currently Amended) The keyboard switch according to Claim 2, wherein the third slide supporting portions for supporting the first shaft portions of the third link member are installed on second supporting walls formed on the key top, the third link member has an its other end portion more protruded to the outside than the second shaft portions, and when the key top reaches the lifting position, the other end portion contacts the base plate on which the film sheet is mounted, to prevent the key top from being lifted over the lifting position.

7. (Original) The keyboard switch according to Claim 2, wherein front end portions of each of the first shaft portions of the link members are tapered.

Amendments to the Drawings are as follows:

The attached drawing sheet includes a change to Fig. 15. In Fig. 15 the previously omitted label PRIOR ART has been added. Applicant respectfully requests that Fig. 15 be replaced with the corrected Fig. 15 enclosed herewith. The corrections to the figures have been marked in red. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner approve the correction. Applicant will submit corrected formal drawings upon receiving a Notice of Allowance.